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A semigroup  $S$  is called  $S$ -indecomposable if  $S$  has no semilattice homomorphic image except the trivial semilattice. We assume  $S \neq S^2$ ,  $|S \setminus S^2| < \infty$  and  $S$  is generated by  $S \setminus S^2$ . Let  $B = S \setminus S^2 = \{a_1, \dots, a_k\}$ . The purpose of this paper is to report the structure of idempotent-free  $S$ -indecomposable semigroup  $S$  generated by  $B$  with relation as defined below. Let  $Z_+$  be the set of all positive integers. We assume

$$(1) \quad a_1^{m_1} = \dots = a_k^{m_k} \quad \text{for some } m_1, \dots, m_k \in Z_+.$$

In particular we study here the free semigroup satisfying (1), that is, every such semigroup is a homomorphic image of the free one. The condition (1) is so strong that the property of  $S$ -indecomposability is derived from (1).

**Lemma 1.** *If  $S$  is a semigroup generated by  $B$  and satisfies (1), then  $S$  is  $S$ -indecomposable.*

Since  $|B| < \infty$  the condition (1) is equivalent to (1') below.

(1') For each pair  $a_i, a_j \in B$  there exist  $n_i, n_j \in Z_+$  such that

$$a_i^{n_i} = a_j^{n_j}.$$

If  $B$  satisfies (1'), equivalently (1), we say  $S$  is *power jointly generated* by  $B$ .

Let  $S$  be an idempotent-free semigroup which is power-jointly generated by  $B$  with (1), and let  $F$  be the free semigroup over  $B$ . There is a homomorphism  $f : F \rightarrow S$  which satisfies the following conditions

- i)  $X \in F, a \in B, f(X) = f\{(a)\} \Rightarrow X = \{a\}$ .
- ii)  $f(a_1)^{m_1} = \dots = f(a_k)^{m_k}$ .

Let  $\rho$  denote the congruence on  $F$  generated by the set of binary relations

$$\{(a_i^{m_i}, a_j^{m_j}) : a_i, a_j \in B\}.$$

Then  $S$  is a homomorphic image of  $F/\rho$  keeping every element of  $B$  fixed. In this paper we study  $F/\rho$ . For simplicity of notation, let  $S = F/\rho$ , so  $X\rho Y$  in  $F$  if and only if  $X = Y$  in  $S$ .

From (1) we immediately have

**Lemma 2.**  $a_i^{\lambda m_i} a_j^x = a_j^x a_i^{\lambda m_i}$  for  $i, j = 1, \dots, k$ , for any  $\lambda \in Z_+$ .

Let  $X \in S$ .  $X$  has the form  $X = a_{i_1}^{x_1'} \dots a_{i_s}^{x_s'}$  where  $a_{i_j} \in B$ ,  $(j = 1, \dots, s)$   $x_i' \in Z_+$ ,

(2)  $a_{i_j} \neq a_{i_{j+1}}$ ,  $(j = 1, \dots, s-1)$ .

We rewrite  $x_i' = x_i + \lambda_i m_i$  where  $0 < x_i \leq m_i$ ,  $\lambda_i \in Z_+^0 = Z_+ \cup \{0\}$ . Let  $M = a_1^{m_1} = \dots = a_k^{m_k}$ . By using Lemma 2 repeatedly we have

$$(3) \quad X = a_{i_1}^{x_1} \dots a_{i_s}^{x_s} a_{i_1}^{\lambda_1 m_{i_1}} \dots a_{i_s}^{\lambda_s m_{i_s}} = a_{i_1}^{x_1} \dots a_{i_s}^{x_s} M^\lambda \quad \text{where } \lambda = \lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_s.$$

Likewise  $Y = a_{j_1}^{y_1} \dots a_{j_t}^{y_t} a_{j_1}^{\mu_1 m_{j_1}} \dots a_{j_t}^{\mu_t m_{j_t}} = a_{j_1}^{y_1} \dots a_{j_t}^{y_t} M^\mu$  where  $\mu = \mu_1 + \dots + \mu_t$ .

Consider the product  $XY$ . Again by using Lemma 2 we have:

$$\text{If } i_s \neq j_1 \quad XY = a_{i_1}^{x_1} \dots a_{i_s}^{x_s} a_{j_1}^{y_1} \dots a_{j_t}^{y_t} M^{\lambda+\mu}.$$

$$\text{If } i_s = j_1 \text{ and } x_s + y_1 \leq 2m_{i_s}, \text{ then } XY = a_{i_1}^{x_1} \dots a_{i_{s-1}}^{x_{s-1}} a_{i_s}^{z_s} a_{j_2}^{y_2} \dots a_{j_t}^{y_t} M^{\lambda+\mu}$$

where  $0 < z_s \leq m_{i_s}$  and  $z_s \equiv x_s + y_1 \pmod{m_{i_s}}$ .

$$\text{If } i_s = j_1 \text{ and } x_s + y_1 > 2m_{i_s}, \text{ then } XY = a_{i_1}^{x_1} \dots a_{i_{s-1}}^{x_{s-1}} a_{i_s}^{z_s} a_{j_2}^{y_2} \dots a_{j_t}^{y_t} M^{\lambda+\mu+1}$$

where  $0 < z_s \leq m_{i_s}$  and  $z_s \equiv x_s + y_1 \pmod{m_{i_s}}$ .

Let  $P$  denote the set of finite sequences  $V$  of elements of  $B$ ,  $V = a_{i_1} \dots a_{i_s}$  satisfying  $a_{i_j} \neq a_{i_{j-1}}$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, s-1$ .

The binary operation on  $P$  is defined by

$$(a_{i_1} \dots a_{i_s}) * (a_{j_1} \dots a_{j_t}) = \begin{cases} a_{i_1} \dots a_{i_s} a_{j_1} \dots a_{j_t} & \text{if } i_s \neq j_1 \\ a_{i_1} \dots a_{i_s} a_{j_2} \dots a_{j_t} & \text{if } i_s = j_1 \end{cases}$$

that is, if  $i_s \neq j_1$ , the product is juxtaposition, if  $i_s = j_1$  then one of  $a_{i_s}$  and  $a_{j_1}$  is omitted.

**Proposition 1.**  $P$  is a semigroup and  $S$  is homomorphic onto  $P$  under the mapping  $a_{i_1}^{x_1} \dots a_{i_s}^{x_s} \rightarrow a_{i_1} \dots a_{i_s}$ .

$P$  is regarded as the set of finite sequences  $i_1 \dots i_s$  of elements of  $B = \{1, \dots, k\}$  subject to  $i_j \neq i_{j+1}$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, s-1$ ,  $s \geq 1$ . In the form (3):  $X = a_{i_1}^{x_1} \dots a_{i_s}^{x_s} M^\lambda$ , we

rewrite  $x_j$  by  $x_{i_j}$  ( $j = 1, \dots, s$ )

$$(3') \quad X = a_{i_1}^{x_{i_1}} \dots a_{i_s}^{x_{i_s}} M^\lambda.$$

The sequence  $x_{i_1} \dots x_{i_s}$  is regarded as a mapping from a sequence  $i_1 \dots i_s$  of elements of  $\{1, \dots, k\}$  to a sequence  $x_{i_1} \dots x_{i_s}$  such that  $x_{i_j} \in Z_{m_{i_j}}$  (i.e. an element modulo  $m_{i_j}$ ) and  $0 < x_{i_j} \leq m_{i_j}$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, s$ ,  $s = 1, \dots, k$ . Let  $\varphi : i_1 \dots i_s \rightarrow x_{i_1} \dots x_{i_s}$ ,  $\psi : j_1 \dots j_s \rightarrow y_{j_1} \dots y_{j_s}$  and let  $\Phi$  denote the set of all such  $\varphi$ 's and define the binary operation  $\varphi\psi$  on  $\Phi$  as follows:

If  $i_s \neq j_1$ ,  $(i_1 \dots i_s) * (j_1 \dots j_t) = i_1 \dots i_s j_1 \dots j_t \rightarrow x_{i_1} \dots x_{i_s} y_1 \dots y_{j_t}$ .

If  $i_s = j_1$ ,  $(i_1 \dots i_s) * (j_1 \dots j_t) = i_1 \dots i_{s-1} i_s j_2 \dots j_t \rightarrow x_{i_1} \dots x_{i_{s-1}} z_{i_s} y_{j_2} \dots y_{j_t}$ , where  $z_{i_s} \equiv x_{i_s} + y_{j_1} \pmod{m_{i_s}}$ ,  $0 < z_{i_s} \leq m_{i_s}$ .

**Proposition 2.**  $\Phi$  is a semigroup, and  $S$  is homomorphic onto  $\Phi$  under the mapping  $X = a_{i_1}^{x_{i_1}} \dots a_{i_s}^{x_{i_s}} M^\lambda \rightarrow \varphi$  where  $\varphi : i_1 \dots i_s \rightarrow x_{i_1} \dots x_{i_s}$ .

Define a mapping  $g : \Phi \times \Phi \rightarrow Z_+^0$  as follows:

$$g(\varphi, \psi) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i_s = j_1 \text{ and } x_{i_s} + y_{j_1} > m_{i_s} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}.$$

Let  $\Gamma = \{(\varphi, \lambda) : \varphi \in \Phi, \lambda \in Z_+^0\}$  and define the binary operation on  $\Gamma$  as follows:

$$(\varphi, \lambda)(\psi, \mu) = (\varphi\psi, \lambda + \mu + g(\varphi, \psi)).$$

Note that  $g$  satisfies the condition:

$$g(\varphi, \psi) + g(\varphi\psi, \xi) = g(\varphi, \psi\xi) + g(\psi, \xi) \quad \text{for all } \varphi, \psi, \xi \in \Phi.$$

Now we have the main theorem

**Theorem .**  $\Gamma$  is a semigroup and  $S$  is isomorphic onto  $\Gamma$  under the mapping  $X = a_{i_1}^{x_{i_1}} \dots a_{i_s}^{x_{i_s}} M^\lambda \rightarrow (\varphi, \lambda)$  where  $\varphi : i_1 \dots i_s \rightarrow x_{i_1} \dots x_{i_s}$ .

The idea of constructing  $S$ -indecomposable semigroups from a certain free semigroup was initiated by the author in case of finite nil semigroups 1958 [2], and also the idea was used in case of finitely generated  $Z$ -semigroups [3].

The representation of  $S$  by means of  $\Gamma$  is similar to  $N$ -semigroups (i.e. idempotent-free cancellative commutative archimedean semigroups) [1].

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